

## File Layout Detail

### Record Type 1 – Employer Summary Record

Include one Type 1 record for each employer in the file. A Type 1 record contains summary data about the employer for all contributing employees. This record must cover the entire reporting period. Do not include non-contributing information within the summary data. All fields are required.

### Record Type 2 – Employee Details Record

Include one Type 2 record for each contributing employee and non-contributing employee being reported to MPERA. A Type 2 record contains general data about each employee being reported. All fields are required.

### Record Type 3 – Employee Earnings Record

Every Type 2 record is immediately followed by a Type 3 record to report earnings, contributions, and service purchase payments. All fields are required except the SERVICE PURCHASE AMOUNT and TYPE fields **only** if the employee is purchasing service. If the employee is non-contributing, enter zero for the contribution amount.

**Table 1** describes the specific data format for each record type. The table includes the following items:

- Field Description including any edit criteria associated with the field
- Type: Whether the data is alphanumeric or numeric
  - **Alphanumeric** (A/N) fields are left justified within a field and contain alphabetic or number characters, or spaces.
  - **Numeric** (N) fields are right justified within a field and contain only the digits 0-9. Numeric fields cannot contain spaces. For example, to enter seven in a two-digit numeric field, you must enter "07" not " 7".
- Size: field length
- Position: Position number of the first character in the field

<b>Record Type 1 – Employer Summary Record</b>			
<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Position</b>
Record Type – always “1”. Must be the first record in the file.	N	1	1
Retirement System Number	N	2	2
Employer Number	A/N	6	4
Payroll Report Period	N	6	10
Count of <u>Contributing</u> Employees Reported	N	5	16
Total Earnings Reported – implied decimal, 7 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	9	21
Total Hours Reported – implied decimal, 7 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	9	30
Total Member Contributions Reported – implied decimal, 7 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	9	39
Total Member service Purchase Contributions Reported – implied decimal, 7 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	9	48
Total Employer Contributions Reported – implied decimal, 7 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	9	57
Total Membership Fee Reported – Not used after 12/99 (populate with “0000000”)	N	7	66
Total Penalty Reported – implied decimal, 5 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	7	73

<b>Record Type 2 – Employee Detail Record</b>			
<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Position</b>
Record Type – always “2”	N	1	1
Member Social Security Number	N	9	2
Member Last Name	A/N	22	11
Member First Name	A/N	17	33
Member Middle Initial	A/N	1	50
Hours – implied decimal, 5 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	7	51
Hourly Rate – implied decimal, 5 positions before and 2 after the decimal	N	7	58
Hire Date (YYYYMMDD)*	N	8	65
Termination Indicator Y – Yes N – No	A/N	1	73
Part Time Indicator Y – Yes (Part time: <160 hours per months/12 months per year) N – No (Full Time: >= 160 hours per month/12 mo. Per year)	A/N	1	74
Seasonal Indicator P – Permanent Contributing Member S – Seasonal Contributing Member T – Temporary Contributing Member N – Non-contributing Employee (invalid once changes to the file is complete)  <u>New Non-Contributing Values</u> <a href="http://mpera.mt.gov/docs/NCNTRBValues.pdf">http://mpera.mt.gov/docs/NCNTRBValues.pdf</a>	A/N	4	75 (left justified)

\*The Hire Date is defined as the date the employee first started work with the MPERA contracted employer

